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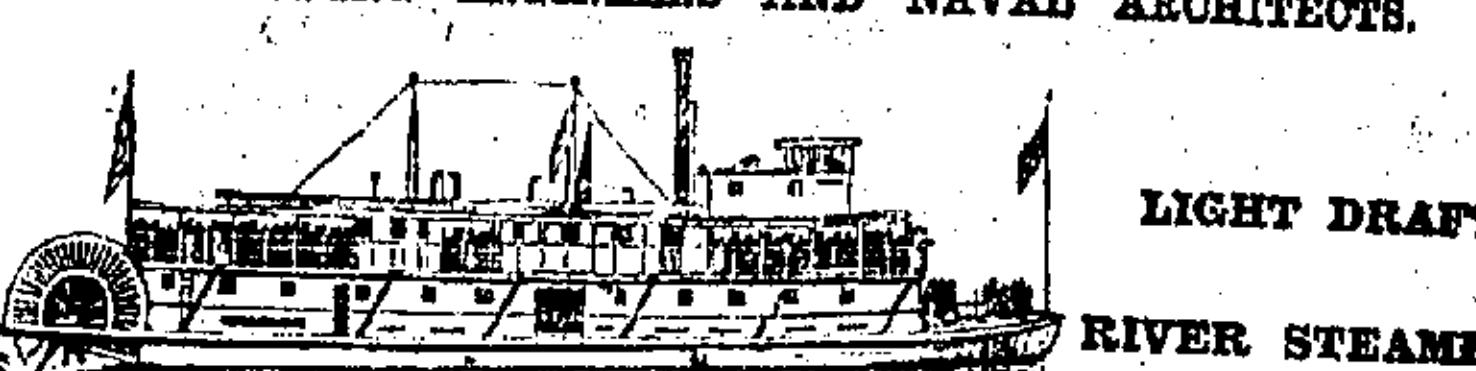
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## Anglo-Chinese Negotiations.

London, February 28.  
At the request of the British Government, a series of conferences have, says Reuters Agency, been arranged between the Chinese Minister in London and the British Foreign and Colonial Office officials, with a view to drawing up regulations for the employment of Chinese in South Africa. At the first of these, which was held at the Foreign Office on Tuesday, there were present the Marquis of Lansdowne, who presided; the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Chinese Minister, Sir Halliday Macartney, the Chinese Commercial Attaché in London, and the British officials, including two legal advisers of the Government. The second of these conferences will take place next week, and will be followed by others until the business to be settled is disposed of. It is, therefore, impossible to say at present how many will be held.

These conferences are taking place in conformity with Article 5 of the Treaty of Peking of 1901, in which the general principle was laid down that the Kingdom of China would not throw any obstacles in the way of any Chinese who wished to go to foreign countries or to British Colonies in the employment of British subjects, but that regulations between the two Governments would have to be drawn up for the protection and comfort of the emigrants. In consequence of the rumours which had reached China about the proposal to introduce Chinese labour into South Africa, the Chinese Government called the attention of the British Government to the Clause of the Peking Treaty referred to. It is understood that Tuesday's proceedings, which lasted for an hour, were of a preliminary character, and that no details were gone into. General principles were, however, enunciated on which conditions satisfactory to both Governments could be drawn up.

The Chinese Government raises no objection whatever to the engagement of its subjects in South Africa so long as it is carried out in conformity with the Treaty of Peking. It had, however, caused some irritation to the Chinese Government that steps for the wholesale employment of Chinese labour had been taken not only in South Africa, but also in China, by the despatch of agents for the recruitment of the emigrants without reference having been made to the Peking Government in conformity with the terms of the Treaty. The matter was, however, placed on a proper basis on Tuesday last, and there is no reason to believe that any difficulty will arise or great delay take place in the two Governments arriving at a satisfactory settlement of the question.—The Standard.

## HEALTH OF THE BRITISH FLEET IN CHINA WATERS.

## Extraordinary Prevalence of Appendicitis.

Dr F. H. A. Clayton, Staff Surgeon in the British Navy, has reported to the Medical Department of the Admiralty on the prevalence of appendicitis in the China Fleet. He says:—

From information obtained from other medical officers, as well as from my own observation, it would appear that quite an unusual number of appendicitis cases come under treatment on the China station. In two ships out here, during a period of ten months, I have had at least six cases with well-marked appendicitis and several more with symptoms referable to that part of the intestinal canal, under my own care. It has, at all events, occurred with far greater frequency than upon any other station of which I have previously had experience. It is difficult to obtain definite statistics about this disease in the Navy, as it is not specifically mentioned, but in the last three blue-books, returns of the operations performed at the three large home hospitals have been included. These show two operations for appendicitis in 1899, seven in 1900, and four in 1901, or a total of thirteen in all for these three hospitals, containing probably 2,000 beds. I do not think I am at all exaggerating in putting the number of similar operations performed at the small hospitals at Wei-hai-wei and Hongkong in the last three years at about a dozen, if not more. At Wei-hai-wei alone Staff-Surgeon Thorpe has operated on seven cases in the last two years. As there can be no doubt about diagnosis in operation cases there is considerable reason for the opinion that the disease is exceptionally prevalent out here.

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When one remembers, however, the almost universal infection of natives with these parasites, it seems unlikely that they are alone responsible. Dr Macdonald, of the French Legation in Peking, in a communication read by Laveran, notes the great frequency of intestinal parasites among both Chinese and Europeans, and the rarity of appendicitis notwithstanding. He had, however, noted symptoms suggesting appendicitis in three of the latter, and due to the presence of tænia. He suggests that difference in diet have a good deal to do with the immunity of Chinese. That this immunity is not, however, absolute, is proved by the return of Dr Hunter, the Government bacteriologist at Hongkong for 1903, which give 14 deaths from it in a total (excluding the plague and cholera outbreaks) of 1,964, and cases are noted as being numerous. Although this does not seem a very large number it shows that it is not rare.

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Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	—	3000	Comdr. O. de B. Brook	Hongkong
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,350	16	13,500	Captain T. H. M. Jerrard	Mira Bay
Albatross	ship	1650	6	1400	Comdr. R. Nugent	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	13,500	Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O.	Mira Bay
Blenheim	gunboat, 1st class	9000	12	13,000	Captain E. G. Sturford	Hongkong
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Com. F. M. Leake	Shanghai
Brimstone	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Mira Bay
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	12,000	Captain Fogau	Hongkong
Crocy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Mira Bay
Orchard	water tank and tug	390	—	300	—	—
Elipse	cruiser, 2nd class	6800	11	9000	Comdr. Robert H. S. Stokes	Hongkong
Esperance	ship	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Hongkong
Feastless	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	—	—
*Gloria	cruiser, 3rd class	1580	12	3200	Comdr. P. V. Lawes, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Handy	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain W. A. Carrer	Mira Bay
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Com. H. L. Wall	Wei-hai-wei
Humber	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	—	—
Janus	storobility	1640	—	800	Comdr. J. D. Daintree	Shanghai
Kinshasa	torpedo boat destroyer	230	6	5900	Lieut.-Comdr. C. B. Fowler	Wei-hai-wei
Leviathan	river gunboat	—	4	—	Hon. N. G. Sturford	Yangtsze-Kiang
Moorean	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	—	31,692	Lt.-Comdr. G. G. Webster	Robe
Ocean	river gunboat	180	2	800	Captain R. F. Fooks, C.M.G.	Mira Bay
Otter	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Lt.-Com. G. G. Odrington	Shanghai
Phoenix	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	Comdr. Morris H. Smyth	Hongkong
Rambler	ship	1150	8	1400	Com. J. St. A. Wake	Shanghai
Rinaldo	ship	980	10	1400	Lt.-Com. John P. Irwin	Canton
Rosario	river gunboat	85	2	240	Comdr. J. Jackson	Shanghai
Sandpiper	ship	980	6	1400	—	—
Sinai	river gunboat	85	2	240	—	—
Snipe	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Hongkong
Sparrowhawk	torpedo boat destroyer	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtsze
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	—	—
Talbot	cruiser, 2nd class	5600	11	9900	—	—
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	6	—	—	—
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	—	—
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3400	8	9000	—	—
Twoed	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	—	—
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	—	—
Vestal	ship	880	10	1400	—	—
Virgo	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	—	—
Waterwitch	surveying ship	320	—	—	—	—
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	5900	—	—
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	650	—	—
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	650	—	—

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## Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Aspern	Austrian cruiser	2437	18	7300	Capt. Friedrich Gruzenberzen	Shanghai
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austrian cruiser	4000	—	—	Captain Mirth	Chetoo
Acheron	French gunboat	1798	—	—	Captain Laferriere	Haigon
Argus	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Crispin	Canton
Avalanche	French gunboat	560	—	—	Comdr. Journef	Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	560	—	—	Lieut. Heron	Haiphong
Bugeaud	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lefevre	Shanghai
Chateaufort	French cruiser	8018	18	—	Captain V. Poidlone	Shanghai
Comete	French gunboat	525	—	—	Comdr. Loeuf	Chemulpo
Uccide	French gunboat	680	—	—	Comdr. Guthrie	Haiphong
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. Le Gollieur	Haiphong
Lion	French cruiser	470	—	—	Capt. Bécou	Haiphong
Montcalm	French gunboat	9700	12	19,600	Captain Aros	Haiphong
Oly	French cruiser	4015	27	8500	Capt. Hurst	Shanghai
Pascal	French cruiser	9437	8	6071	Captain Souds	Chemulpo
Redoubtable	French cruiser	1786	10	—	Capt. Vincent	Haiphong
Sfax	French gunboat	629	2	900	Captain Thomas	Haiphong
Surprise	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Taking	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Takou	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Vanban	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Vigilant	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Viper	French gunboat	400	4	441	Lieut. Gallard	Haiphong
Bussard	German cruiser	1887	15	2300	Lieut. Gallard	Haiphong
First Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Capt. Villeneuve	Canton
Goer	German cruiser	1775	15	2300	Comdr. Huss	Amoy
Hansa	German cruiser	6000	34	10,000	Captain Provo	Hongkong
Heinrich	German cruiser	6000	37	10,000	Comdr. von Studnitz	Shanghai
Ilia	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Capt. van Sammern	Kiautschow
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Capt. Baron M. Hülseman	Hongkong
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Shanghai
Möwe	German gunboat	1539	—	—	Comdr. Kroncke	Haiphong
Sceador	German cruiser	1640	15	2200	Comdr. Wagner	Hongkong
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Pontius	Shanghai
Vorwaerts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Dainline	Chemulpo
Thetis	German cruiser	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. von Welse	Shanghai
Elba	Italian cruiser	2730	10	7471	Captain Volcelli	Shanghai
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2457	34	12,000	Captain Due ene	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4500	24	6850	Captain Zeri	Shanghai
Vettor Pisani	Italian cruiser	6500	18	13,000	Capt. Cali	Shanghai
Dia	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Diogo de Sa	Hongkong
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barbosa L al	Macao
Alouet	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Amour	Russian cruiser	2600	6	4700	Comdr. Gramatikoff	Port Arthur
Askold	Russian cruiser	6000	27	—	Capt. Reitzenshtein	Sunk (?)
Bayan	Russian cruiser	2800	10	16,500	—	Port Arthur
Bayarin	Russian cruiser	3200	6	—	—	Sunk
Bobra	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Bogayev	Russian cruiser	6640	12	—	—	Port Arthur
Diana	Russian cruiser	6731	6	—	—	Port Arthur
Dijah	Russian gunboat	1450	3	1700	Capt. Nasarowsky	Port Arthur
Gaidamat	Russian gunboat	500	3	—	Comdr. Zagarsky	Port Arthur
Gromobol	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Shumoff	Port Arthur
Gullak	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Norokowsky	Vladivostok
Koreats	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Comdr. Crown	Sunk
Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	—	Shanghai
Narvan	Russian battleship	10,806	12	9000	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Novik	Russian cruiser	3000	6	17,000	—	Port Arthur
Otrajay	Russian gunboat	1490	6	—	—	—
Palada	Russian cruiser	6731	12	2000	Comdr. Yasiliuff	Port Arthur



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General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, April 2:—  
9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.  
Transfer Books of Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., closed from this date 1 p.m. until 6th April.  
Goods per *Chantrelle* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, April 3:—  
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., in the General Manager's Office.  
9 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Club at Club House.

THURSDAY, April 4:—  
Noon—Auction of Leasehold Property, at No. 8, Queen's Road Central.

FRIDAY, April 5:—  
Transfer Books of The Yangtze Association Ltd., close from this date to the 21st April inclusive.

THURSDAY, April 21:—  
4.30 p.m.—Meeting of The Yangtze Insurance Association Ltd., at the Head Office.

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**The China Mail.**

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To Subscribers.  
To-morrow being Good Friday, there will be no issue of the *China Mail*; but Saturday's issue will be published as usual.

International Hockey.  
In the match at Abergavenny, Ireland beat Wales by 4 goals to 2. At Richmond, in the Ladies' International, England beat Scotland by 7 goals to 2. At Newport, the Scottish ladies beat the Welsh by 8 goals to 1.

Recommissioning.  
Instructions have been given for the armoured shallow-draught steamers *Moore*, *Levi*, and *Snipe*, serving on the China Station, to be recommissioned, with new crews, for a further term of service in the Far East.

Leavitt's Troubadours.  
Leavitt's Anglo-American troupe of Troubadours, at present playing in the Straits, are due to open here on Monday, April 11th. The Company are receiving flattering notices from the Straits press.

V.R.C. Sports.  
The V.R.C. Sports will be held on Monday next at the Hongkong Football Club's ground, Happy Valley. Ladies are particularly invited to attend. The preliminary heats in the 100, 120, 220 and 440 yards flat races will be run off on Saturday next at 3 p.m.

Mr John Cowen at Shanghai.  
Mr J. Cowen, the editor of the *China Times*, against whom an order of deportation was recently issued by the British Consul General at Tientsin for writing articles calculated to lead to a breach of the peace, is in Shanghai in connection with his case, which, it is understood is just now occupying the attention of the Chief Justice, who, of course, will see that Mr Cowen gets the fullest rights he is entitled to under British law.

The Use of the Torpedo.  
In view of the important part the torpedo is playing in the Russo-Japanese War, more attention is being given to it in the Channel Fleet. Rear Admiral the Hon. Hedworth Lambton, second in command, has given two challenge cups for the best ships at Whitehead torpedo-firing—one for battleships, and one for cruisers. Captains Campbell and Sturdee and Lieutenants Dunne, Harvey, and Halliwell have been appointed to draw up rules.

Sanitary Officials and the Magistrate.  
Before leaving the bench yesterday, Mr T. Sercombe Smith, addressing Senior Sanitary Inspector Lambie, said:—Mr Lambie, it gives me great pleasure in leaving this Court to express my high appreciation of the discretion, tact, and ability shown by the members of the Sanitary Staff who have had to transact business here, and I would be glad if you would so inform them. I regret that I am unable to thank them collectively for the great help they have given me in dealing with the new Ordinance.

A Football Fatality.  
Stephen Owen Owens, an Aberystwyth College student, at the inquest held on February 29, tendered to the bereaved parents of Edgar Dowler his deep sympathy at being the unintentional cause of his death. Dowler was a Cardiff College student, and in an Association football match he ran against Owens, whose knee, which he had raised to stop the ball, struck him in the stomach, rupturing an intestine. Deceased, who told his mother just before he died that it was quite an accident, was a promising student.

Married Again.  
It is stated that on the 27th ult. Lord Francis Hope was married to Olive, younger daughter of the late Mr George Thompson, banker, of Melbourne, Victoria. The ceremony took place quietly at a Registry Office in the country, only the immediate relatives and friends of both parties being present. Lord Francis Hope and his bride afterwards left for the Continent. Lord Francis was the divorced husband of May Yoke, who was out here last year with her new husband, Major Strong, U.S. Army.

Band at King Edward Hotel.  
By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Ironmonger and Officers, the Band of the 83rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the above Hotel, during dinner, on Friday, the 1st April, (weather permitting):—  
March... "The Washington Post"  
Overture... "Nell Gwyn"  
German Song... "Flowers"  
Song... "Au der Wieser"  
Selection... "Ruminations of Scotland"  
Volts... "Jolly Negroes"  
Oaks Walk... "Jolly Negroes"  
God Save the King.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.  
It is proposed to introduce a motor mail service in Ceylon.

It is reported that the Amir of Afghanistan has been poisoned.  
The Hon. C. Stringer left Singapore on March 23 for England.

Mr E. H. Strobel, Siam's new Adviser, arrived Bangkok on March 22.

H. E. Sir Henry Blake was reported to be indisposed on the 16th inst.

The fixtures and fittings of the old Lyceum Theatre were sold by auction on the 1st inst.

It is probable that the Quarter-Master General for India will be Colonel H. R. Sclater, O.B.

Lord Kitchener will make a long tour in April and May, visiting most of the important stations in India.

Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne, K.C.M.G., was present at the King's levee at St. James's on the 29th ult.

Mr Rudolf Lorenzen, the German Vice-Consul at Sandakan, has returned to Germany on account of ill-health.

Mr R. W. Mansfield, C.M.G., H.B.M. Consul at Amoy, was presented to the King at the levee held at St. James's on 29th ult.

The Hon. Mr A. H. Apsar is selected on the Bengal Legislative Council as the nominee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce.

It is reported from the Tibet Mission that Mr Lewis, post office clerk, who had both his feet amputated for frost-bite, has died at Tuna.

The appointment of Sir John Anderson to the Governorship of the Straits Settlements has created profound indignation and disgust, says *Truth* of February 25.

Captain Cortland H. Simpson, R.N., has been appointed Naval Assistant to the Hydrographer, vice Commander H. B. T. Somerville, R.N., to date February 29, 1904.

Major C. D. Bruce, the Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment), is granted the local rank of Lieutenant Colonel whilst commanding the Chinese Regiment of Infantry.

It was officially notified to the Regiments of Foot Guards that when the Queen attends any ceremony at which the King is not present the same Military compliments will be paid as though his Majesty were present.

The scheme for the new Canadian Militia Establishment, which has been adopted, provides for a peace footing of 4924 officers and 42,334 men, this being an increase of 1495 officers and 4000 men.

The *Norve Fremysse* seems to be something of a prophet in its way. A week ago or so it published an article on the 'Russian Navy and its Problems,' in which it asked: 'What is the use of a Navy to Russia? What is its use in general? What indeed?

A Home paper received by yesterday's German mail states:—Mr Thomas McGovern, M.P. for West Cavan, is lying seriously ill at his residence, Gartmore. He is suffering from cancer of the liver, and his condition shows no signs of improvement.

Return of the Fleet.  
A spectacle, such as has not been seen in Hongkong before, was witnessed when the fleet returned to-day. The vessels entered the harbour in line ahead, and were about two lengths behind each other. They came up the harbour in that order, each taking up her accustomed buoy. The arrivals included the *Albion*, *Vengeance*, *Centurion*, *Ocean*, *Amphitrite*, *Blenheim*, *Talbot* and *Sirius*. As the fleet came in two torpedo destroyers entered from the other entrance and went to the anchorage.

Seizure of Coal-Laden Vessels.  
In the House of Commons on the 29th ult., Mr Rose asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs if his attention had been called to the seizure by Russian destroyers in the Red Sea of British steamers laden with coal to Japan; and whether, in view of the fact of coal not having been declared contraband of war by Russia, he would state whether his Majesty's Government intended to take any action in the matter.

Now that the theatrical season is practically over, would it not be well if the proper authorities made enquiry to see that the Theatre in the City Hall Buildings is quite safe in case of fire. It seems to us that the exits from the Dress Circle are far too limited for the safety of the usual audience that fills that part of the Theatre. The single spiral staircase is inconvenient, a fire panic it is too dreadful to contemplate. 'Warning ought to be taken from the serious disasters that have occurred elsewhere and a thorough inspection made by the Government and City Hall authorities with a view to the provision of emergency exits, and if possible, to improve the present stairway.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

English Sporting.  
The Lincolnshire Handicap was won by *Unimured*, with *Walsall* second and *Stic* third.

Tea Commissioner to Formosa.  
A Darjeeling or Upper Assam planter is going as Commissioner to Formosa on a salary of Rs501 per month, to enquire into the question of Oolong teas.

Sir Frederick Nicholson.  
Sir Frederick A. Nicholson, Viceroy's Legislative Council, India, has retired. The Governor in Council placed on record his cordial appreciation of the valuable services Sir Frederick had rendered.

'The Times' Adviser.  
The *Times* military expert strongly advises the Japanese to regard the seizure of Port Arthur, Corea, and Vladivostok as ending Russian dominion in the East, and deprecates an advance to Kharbin.

Joseph in Egypt.  
Mr Austen Chamberlain has received a cheerful letter from his father, the ex-colonial Secretary, who states that he is thoroughly enjoying his holiday visit to Egypt, and feels greatly improved in health.

Is it a Picnic?  
Sanction has been given for Captain (G. Badham-Thornhill) who served with the China Expedition of 1900, and Lieutenant G. H. Betton-Foster, Royal Garrison Artillery, and Second Lieutenant F. S. G. Piggett, Royal Engineers, to go to Japan.

Naval Appointments.  
The following appointments are gazetted:—Surgeons: W. L. Martin, to the *Moore*, on recommissioning (undated); G. C. Cross, to the *Talbot*, additional; C. H. Dawe, to the *Skipper*, additional, both on recommissioning (to date Feb. 26); G. H. Bateman, to the *Tamar* (to date Feb. 26).

Plague at Johannesburg.  
A London telegram states that the Plague is extending at Johannesburg. Forty natives and three whites have died of it. There have been 56 cases. Three hundred and sixty Indians are removing from the plague-infected area at Johannesburg to a site eight miles distant. The Indian locations will be burned down when they are empty.

Colliers at Singapore.  
The *Singapore Free Press* of March 23 states that the colliers *Labuan*, *Rosalia*, *Tydney*, and *Merionethshire* are now discharging at Tanjong Pagar. Between them they brought a little over 20,000 tons of coal. The colliers *Neuchâtel* and *Cragston* left Barry on Feb. 15 with full cargoes of Welsh steam coal for the North. They will both call at Singapore for bunker coal.

Flattened Out!  
That travesty of a newspaper (says the *N. C. Daily News*), the *British North Borneo Herald*, on the 18th February, was gloating over the possibility of France and England being embroiled in the present war, so that British North Borneo, with its 'our harbour of Sandakan,' would become a Naval Base in the Far East of first importance.

For the Japanese Orphans.  
A few days ago (states a London daily received by the *Goman* mail yesterday) an English lady, residing at Notting-hill, called at the Yokohama Specie Bank and left a donation of £1 for the fund which is being raised for the Japanese widows and orphans. As she was unable to subscribe more, she expressed a wish to leave two valuable Japanese awards, in order that they might be sold for the benefit of the fund.

The Billiard Championship.  
H. W. Stevenson, replying to the communication from C. Dawson, states that he will be pleased to play Dawson 9000 or 18,000 up for £100 aside and to make the Championship next November, and trusts that in the meantime the differences existing between the Billiard Association and the professional players will be amicably arranged, so that the match can again come under their auspices. He is also willing to stake £50 that he scores the greater number of points in his forthcoming three matches with Dawson.

The Safety of the Theatre.  
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A Death from Plague.  
The dead body of a Chinaman was found on a vacant piece of ground near Mongkok to-day. Death was due to plague.

The Tibet Mission.  
A blizzard overtook the 23rd Pioneer and the 12th mule corps in Tibet. No food was taken off for 36 hours. In all fifty men were incapacitated by frost-bite, and there were seventy cases of snow-blindness.

A Gunner's Record.  
A telegram from Manila to New York states that the United States battleship *Wisconsin* has beaten the world's record for shooting with 13-inch guns, making nine bull-eyes out of a possible ten in ten minutes. We hope this information is more accurate than the telegram published in Manila.

Japanese Officer Recalled.  
Lieutenant Kimura, serving on board the battleship *Mura* of the Channel Squadron, has been ordered to return to Japan. Before leaving his ship he raffled his bicycle for £25, and, with Vice Admiral Lord Charles Boscawen's permission, signalled to the Fleet that he would devote the whole amount to the fund *Widows and Orphans* of the Japanese killed in the war.

Russian Thanks to H.M.S. 'Talbot'.  
Referring to the assistance rendered by the British cruiser *Talbot* to the Russian sailors at the battle of Chemulpo, the *Norvici* declares that all Russia respectfully acknowledges the noble and chivalrous conduct of the Commander of the vessel; conduct, the journal adds, 'that does great honour to the British nation, which has always been a model of generosity and gallantry.'

The 'Fall' of Port Arthur.  
Our local evening contemporary was not the only one victimised over the reported fall of Port Arthur. The *Straits Times* (Singapore) and the *Straits Echo* (Penang) also shared in the too-previous telegram. We have a letter from one of the southern editors congratulating himself on the 'scoop' he made. He is now probably 'sorry he spoke.' We should like to see the letters addressed by the respective editors to their Tokyo correspondent who 'let them down' so badly.

The Chartered Bank.  
Mr Cochrane, the Manager of the Hongkong Branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China informs us that he has this morning received the following telegram from his Head Office in London:—At the approaching meeting of shareholders, the Directors will recommend a dividend for the past half-year at 10% per annum, free of Income Tax, that £75,000 be placed to Reserve, which will then stand at £800,000, and that £63,000 be carried forward as undivided profit.

For Wounded Russians.  
An English firm in St Petersburg has given 64 cases of porter and a quantity of warm clothing for the use of the Russian sick and wounded. The small English colony of Moscow has formed working meetings in connection with the British Church of St Andrew, there to make a variety of linen and other equipment for the Russian civil hospitals. The ladies of the British colony in Odessa have associated themselves with the preparation of flannel, handkerchiefs, and other useful material for the Russian Red Cross Society in the Far East.

Murder in Assam.  
A shocking incident occurred at Kohima on the evening of the 9th instant when Mr Tolly, Subadar-Major of the Naga Hills Police Battalion, was murdered by a trumpeter of the corps, says a telegram from Allahabad. He was at dinner with his wife when the murderer stole up to the quarters and firing through the window shot his victim dead. The man then shot himself through the stomach and died shortly afterwards. No motive can be discovered for the crime. The trumpeter had four years' service with the battalion having always had a good character, while deceased, who came to the Naga Hills Police from the Mountain Artillery, was greatly esteemed by all ranks in the corps.

An Officer Found Shot.  
The Hon. Henry James Anson, second in command of the 2nd Highland Light Infantry, stationed in Jersey, was found dead on February 28, at his residence, Jeanville, St. Helier. There was a bullet in his head. He was a brother of the Earl of Lichfield, and was married Lady Adelaide Anson, daughter of the Earl of Harrowby. He was educated at Harrow and Sandhurst, became a Second Lieutenant in the Highland Light Infantry in May, 1878, and on August 9, 1902, was appointed second in command of his regiment. During the War he served in South Africa where he was wounded, and twice mentioned in Despatches. He was also the Captain of the 2nd Battalion of the 1st Life Guards, and the 1st Battalion of the 1st Life Guards, and the 1st Battalion of the 1st Life Guards.

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It is during the warm months of summer that mothers have to be most careful of their little ones, and at the first unusual looseness of their bowels should give the little sufferer a dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This remedy has been in constant use for over thirty years, and is without question the best and safest remedy to use in case of diarrhoea and all bowel complaints. A bottle should be kept in every home for such emergencies. Get it at 25c. per bottle, or by mail, for 50c. per bottle, with a full and complete description of the disease and its treatment. Write to J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass., U.S.A., for a free copy of the book.

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PARLIAMENT AND THE WAR.

PREMIER ASKED TO RESIGN.

Mr Balfour Declines.  
London, March 30.

In the House of Commons yesterday, on the motion of adjournment on the debate on the Far Eastern question, the Rt. Hon. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Leader of the opposition, raised the whole of the political situation. He invited the Rt. Hon. Arthur Balfour the Premier, to resign, declaring that he did not possess the confidence of the country.

Mr Balfour in reply said that he was unable to see why the Government should resign while they retained the confidence of the House, and in view of the great task they had to perform for the benefit of the people.

[ROUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE WAR.

London, March 29.  
It is reported at Seoul that an engagement took place on the 23rd instant between a detachment of Japanese infantry and Cossacks between Anju and Chongfu. The Japanese were victorious, the Russians retiring slowly. The Japanese had fifty killed; the Russian loss is not known.

CHINESE LABOUR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr Lytleton, in the House of Commons, said that in view of the success in dealing with recent outbreaks of plague in South Africa, he declined to prevent the introduction of Chinese labour.

REGIMENTAL SPORTS.

Royal Garrison Artillery.

The Royal Garrison Artillery Regimental Sports were opened yesterday at the Hongkong Football Club's ground at Happy Valley. The following officials were in charge of the arrangements:—  
President, Capt. Nugent, R.G.A.;  
Committee, Capt. Jones, R.G.A., Lieuts. Miles, Dowling, Milman, and Lumden, R.G.A.; sub-committee, Sergeants Bottomley, Fielder, Ridley, and Sergeant-Major Mills.

The results of yesterday's meeting were:—  
Long Jump.—Three prizes.  
Donnelly, 33rd Co., ... 1.  
Hughes, 78th Co., ... 2.  
W. Brown, 83rd Co., ... 3.  
Distance, 20ft. 10in.

High Jump.—Three prizes.  
Rivers, 83rd Co., ... 1.  
Edgar, 78th Co., ... 2.  
W. Smith, 78th Co., ... 3.  
Distance, 20ft. 10in.

Putting the Weight.—Three prizes.  
Hughes, 78th Co., ... 1.  
Rivers, 83rd Co., ... 2.  
Capper, 8th Co., ... 3.  
Distance, 30ft. 10in.

Putting the Weight.—Open only to members of the Hongkong and Singapore Battalion of Royal Artillery. Three prizes.

Muddat Kahn... ... 1.  
Fazel Dad... ... 2.  
Pirna... ... 3.  
Distance, 33ft.

The sports were continued to-day when a larger programme of events was dealt with.

A. COMPETITION.

G. R. Edwards beat T. W. Robertson.  
Jah. Ramsey " J. Macdonald.  
W. Deas " D. Gow.  
J. Galt " J. Henderson.  
J. R. Wilson " A. Milroy.  
J. Parkes " A. Kinross.  
J. Kyles " J. Walker.

B. COMPETITION.  
J. Ramsey beat J. Walker.  
C. W. Alexander, " G. R. Edwards.  
J. Kyles " A. Milroy.  
W. Deas " J. Parkes.  
J. Henderson " J. Macdonald.  
D. Gow " T. W. Robertson.  
J. Galt " J. Kyles.

The drawings for the 2nd and 3rd rounds are:—  
A. COMPETITION.  
2nd Round.  
W. Deas v. W. Ramsey.  
3rd Round.  
J. Galt v. J. R. Wilson v. J. Kyles.  
C. W. Alexander v. J. Walker v. J. Kyles.  
W. Deas v. W. Ramsey v. G. R. Edwards.  
J. Parkes v. J. Ramsey.

B. COMPETITION.  
2nd Round.  
C. W. Alexander v. J. R. Wilson.  
3rd Round.  
J. Henderson v. J. Walker or A. Kinross.  
D. Gow v. J. Ramsey.  
C. W. Alexander or J. R. Wilson v. W. Deas.

The 2nd and 3rd rounds to be played off by the end of April.

The official opening of the season of the Kowloon Bowling Green will take place on Saturday next at the Green, Austin Road, Kowloon at 3 p.m. A Band will be in attendance.



## FIRE IN THE STRAITS.

## Many Deaths.

On February 21 a fire broke out in a fisherman's hut at Pulau Sangarang, an island opposite Tanjung Penang. A strong wind caused the fire to spread to neighbouring huts, and soon the entire village was ablaze. The Dutch authorities at Tanjung Penang saw the smoke and sent launches across to assist in subduing the fire. Being unable to make any impression on the flames, the authorities began to demolish the houses, and so checked the progress of the fire. About fifty houses were saved by these means. The fire ultimately burnt itself out, but only after enormous damage had been done, some 400 houses being destroyed.

## CAMPBELL, MOORE &amp; CO., LTD.

## Annual Meeting.

The eighteenth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in Campbell, Moore and Company, Limited, was held at the offices of the company at noon to-day. There were present Messrs J. W. Osborn (in the chair), and V. F. Musso di Pirata (directors), M. A. A. Souza (secretary), G. Murray Bain, I. P. Madar, G. H. Potts, A. Badolo, and A. O'D. Gourdin.

The notice convening the meeting having been read, The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, with your permission, I will take them as read. There is nothing for me to say in relation to the report and accounts which are set forth so clearly, although for the benefit of shareholders I might remark that so far this year the business of the company is in a healthy condition, and we hope it will continue as at present, and that when we come before you at the end of this year it will be with as good a report as we have before. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to put.

There being no question, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr G. Murray Bain seconded, and the motion was carried.

## TANJONG PAGAR DOCK CO.

## Reply to Mr Anderson.

After Mr Anderson had concluded his speech, the Hon. C. Stringer replied that he disagreed with Mr Anderson when he said that the whole blame of the disagreements between the Directorate and the London Committee lay with the London Committee.

He was quite prepared to admit that the criticisms of the actions of the Board here by the Committee in London have always been characterised by consummate tact and with due consideration of all the difficulties with which the Board have had to deal, but the one great fact stood prominently, and this he thought was pretty generally known, that up to the year 1900 and 1901 the working of the company had been allowed to get so terribly behind the times, that the general complaints, not on their own side, but on this, the London Committee had no other course but to point out in clear and forcible terms the absolute necessity of immediate steps being taken to prevent what appeared to them an impending disaster.

Another point Mr Anderson had referred to was the amalgamation with the New Harbour Company, with which he (the speaker) had been intimately connected for many years. He looked upon it from an entirely different point of view from Mr Anderson. In his opinion Tanjong Pagar had made an excellent bargain. This could be seen from the handsome returns from the Keppel Harbour section which at the present time showed a decided advantage in favour of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Co. shareholders.

Mr Anderson had stated that he was going to reply entirely on facts, whereas in his opinion the shareholders were merely treated to Mr Anderson's personal views on matters generally. It must not be forgotten that the London Committee represent the large shareholders in the Company and were naturally themselves interested in seeing that affairs are managed with prudence and caution.

The Hon. Tan Jisk Kim seconded the amendment of Mr Anderson. He was not satisfied with the explanations of Mr Stringer as to the actions of the London Committee. He was strongly against that body in their procedure as to the non-issue of Mr Nicholson's reports, to which he thought all shareholders were entitled. The possible expenditure of so large a sum as twelve million dollars made it absolutely necessary for shareholders to be put in a position to judge for themselves from the report.

Some discussion then took place as to Mr Anderson's amendments. (a) amend the Directors report to include the issue of Mr Nicholson's report; (b) reduce general charges and administration by \$7,84; (c) reduce directors' fees by \$100; and (d) reduce London Committee's fees by \$5,000. The Chairman pointed out that amendments (c) and (d) were out of order because the Directors' fees are according to the dividend, and the Committee's fees settled by the Articles of Association.

Mr Anderson said his amendments moved the report and accounts back for amendment. The portion of the amendment which was in order was then put and declared carried by seventeen votes to sixteen.

Mr Stringer demanded a poll, which was fixed for March 25.

A dividend of 6 per cent. was declared for the half-year.

## Bad Manners.

The following *jeu d'esprit* is taken from *The World*:—  
[The naval forces are inspired with a heartfelt wish to meet their insolent foe—  
Admiral Jellicoe.]

—The fleet is lost.  
—So ready to treat us.  
—They fight us, you know—  
—Nay, more, they defeat us.

## THE JAPANESE AND PORT ARTHUR.

## THE RUMOUR OF CAPTURE.

## Russian Inactivity.

(From Our Special War Correspondent).

Tokio, March 13.

It is reported that another attempt is to be made to close up the Port Arthur entrance, and if it is successful all the Japanese fleet will have to do will be to deal with the Vladivostok squadron. Already an attempt has been made to bombard that port, but no success has been achieved. The fleet fired at long range, and though a couple of shells found their way into the town, the majority of them fell into the harbour.

Otherwise nothing warlike is going on so far as we can see here. The army is not yet ready to advance, and is not likely to proceed before the middle of this month or the beginning of next. Scouts are out, but apart from an occasional exchange of a few shots nothing takes place.

The attitude of China on the Liao River is drawing a good deal of attention, and it will be interesting to see how Russia proceeds in that direction. Already, she has protested against the presence of Chinese troops on the right bank as being a menacing action, and deems that the step has been taken in order to thwart Russia and aid Japan's strategic movements.

No doubt, Russia will make another of her blustering attempts to frighten China, but the Viceroy of the provinces seem to be determined, now that the Japanese have gained such brilliant initial victories, to keep their troops there as long as possible. Prince Ching is the only one who is liable to give in to Russia, for he has shown partiality for the Muscovite for a considerable time, and, indeed, is alleged to have been in their pay. He is weak and unstable, and if he gives way now Russia will get her foot into a little more of rich Chinese territory. The Russian troops about Kinchow, to the left of the Liao, are already running loose about the country, and are making depredations of the worst kind. Several millionaires and Chinese officials have been robbed by bands of soldiers, and Russian officers are playing up in fine style. They have charge of the Chinese telegraph office at Shinningtung, and have apparently settled amongst themselves that the Liao and the territory round about, which is supposed to be neutral, belongs to Russia. China protests, but until she backs her protests up by a display of material strength, she will not move the Muscovite. Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai, of Chihli province, seems determined, as far as he can, to prevent the Russians doing much good round the Liao region, and has endeavored to hit them a practical blow below the belt. He has issued instructions prohibiting the export of rice beyond the boundaries of the province, and though he gives drought and probable shortage of food as the excuse, it is generally believed that he has taken the action to prevent Russia drawing supplies, and thus violating China's neutrality.

So far, Russia has displayed the utmost incapacity in conducting her war affairs, and has not made even a decent showing on any occasion. Alexieff has ruined his reputation by his blundering, and no doubt when General Kuropatkin arrives he will be deposed from his command of the army and relegated to the civil service. Admiral Mahoroff already supersedes him in the navy. As commander and administrator in the military sphere he has proved himself a failure. Even at the recent bombardment of Vladivostok, he missed a splendid opportunity of inflicting serious damage if not of smashing up the Japanese fleet. Russian official reports state that the Japanese opened fire at a distance of six versts, which is less than four miles, and since the forts of Vladivostok must have ten-inch guns, which are deadly at four miles, they should have been able to do destructive work. Yet, not a shot was fired from them. The *Gromoboi*, the Russian, and the *Zurik* also have eight-inch guns equal to over four miles, yet they even did not respond to the cannonading. Russia's excuse is that they did not wish to disclose the position of the forts. Such an excuse is idiotic. Either the forts are no good, or the Russians are disorganised by fear and maladministration. It is useless, too, to allege that the scheme was to coax in the Japanese. The attacking cruisers were close enough to be smashed up by the fort guns if they are at all decent, and in addition might have been hampered by the loose ice which was about in plentiful places. It will be difficult, indeed, for Russia to explain her position, which, to say the least, is, for a power which was going to crush Japan, terribly humiliating.

An extremely interesting effect which the war is having upon the Japanese is the inspiration to revive some of the ancient martial customs. The first which came under public notice was at the attempt to block the Port Arthur entrance. Then, volunteers were called for the dangerous enterprise, and of the two thousand who volunteered—everyone of them horses though they did not all get the chance to display their heroism—many wrote their applications in blood drawn from their veins. This was a time-honoured practice amongst the ancient samurai—or land-owners—who, whenever it was necessary to make application for any such expedition, made it in blood from their bodies. The adoption of the practice by the men on the recent occasion gave considerable pleasure to their country folk. It was, too, a peculiarly characteristic custom of Japan in old warlike days, after a battle, to confer on persons meriting it, what was called *Kanjo*, and such an honor is now being conferred where deserved. The *Kanjo* was a document which recorded in plain but praiseworthy terms an act or acts of bravery—or of such a character that might serve as an example for others—performed by its recipient in battle, and was signed and given by military or naval officers qualified to do so. The document was always considered, and it always proved itself, a powerful incentive in stimulating its recipient, as well as others, to deeds of valor. The custom has not been in vogue for many generations, but it has now been revived by the Government through an ordinance signed by the Ministers of the Navy and the Army. The revival of the custom is welcomed generally, especially by the native Press, which is almost unanimous in the opinion that whilst there are many ways of rousing the fighting fervor in officers and men, there are none so effective as the *Kanjo*, which is the means of recognising valorous deeds in the sight of the enemy.

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Gleams across our king's domain.  
Great her people's love of justice  
And of fellow-man imbued,  
With a brave and loyal resolve  
To her great Imperial Head.

Lo, our foe—a land that knows not  
Truth and righteousness by name;  
Lies and treachery its usage,  
Plunder and rapine the same.  
Guileless babes and maidens murdered,  
Burning homes that rise no more,  
Witness to the Slav whose practice  
Gods and men alike abhor.

Broad the land—a storm-swept desert;  
People mixed, and lawless hordes;  
Cowards, at Pekin they faltered,  
In the face of Chinese swords.  
Cossack rans, once famed in story,  
Now is but an ancient lay;  
Molting once in morning sunlight,  
Russian armies fade away.

Up and forward, steeds and warriors!  
March! Already spring is here.  
Hither we admit no foeman;  
Joy is ours with might to fear.  
Break the ramparts of Port Arthur,  
Tear the walls of Harbin down!  
On the heights of Ural mountains  
Float the banner of the Sun!

Drive the Slav unto the forests;  
Let him hide within their shade.  
Ancient Moscow be his refuge,  
There his bloody hand be stayed.  
Then unto our Sovereign's glory  
Praise sound and never cease,  
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## CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

## The Final Match.

ENGLAND WINS BY NINE WICKETS.

Adelaide Oval, 12th March, 6.8 p.m.

To-day the Englishmen met South Australia. The home eleven won the toss and made 259 runs. Mr Bosanquet had the best average of the English bowlers, taking 3 wickets for 72 runs. England made a start, losing Mr R. E. Foster without scoring. Mr P. F. Warner and Mr B. J. T. Bosanquet played out time, the former being 2 not out and the latter 5 not out.

March 14th, 6 p.m.—To-day Mr Warner and Mr Bosanquet, not out with 2 and 5 respectively, resumed the English innings (which started on Saturday at 9 for the loss of Mr Foster's wicket, against 250 by Australia). They made a good stand, Mr Bosanquet being out for 22. Tyldesley joined Mr Warner, who made his score 50 before he had to retire. Tyldesley made 12, Knight 18, and Braund 30, but the rest did nothing. First, scoring 1, Relf 3, Rhodes 4, Fielder not out 5, and Strudwick 1.

South Australia, in the second innings, collapsed badly, being all dismissed by Braund and Hirst for 77 runs. Braund was in splendid form and took 8 wickets for 43 runs. Hirst took two wickets for 22 runs. Scores:—

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.  
1st Innings: ... 259  
2nd Innings: ... 77

Total ... 336

ENGLAND.—1ST INNINGS.  
Mr R. E. Foster (Worcestershire) ... 0  
Mr P. F. Warner (Middlesex) ... 50  
Mr B. J. T. Bosanquet (Middlesex) ... 22  
Tyldesley (Leicestershire) ... 18  
Knight (Leicestershire) ... 12  
Braund (Somersetshire) ... 30  
Hirst (Yorkshire) ... 1  
Relf (Sussex) ... 3  
Rhodes (Yorkshire) ... 4  
Fielder (Kent), not out ... 5  
Strudwick (Surrey) ... 1  
Extras ... 8

Total ... 164

March 15th, 3.10 p.m.—The weather has been wet here, and there were drizzles today which made the wicket easy. The Englishmen went in to make the 183 runs necessary to win, and accomplished this for the loss of one wicket only. Mr P. F. Warner and Mr R. E. Foster opened the English second innings, and Mr Warner did not leave before he had scored 54. Tyldesley came in, and, with Mr Foster, knocked off the runs, the score at the end being: Mr Foster 73 not out; Tyldesley 50 not out; total with 7 extras, 184.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

The following are the latest results to hand by the German mail:—

RUGBY INTERNATIONAL.  
A: Dublin, Scotland defeated Ireland by 2 goals 3 tries (19 points) to 1 try (3 points). Scotland's tries were scored by Sivright, Timms, Orr, Macdonald, and Simson, and Ireland's by Moffatt.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.  
A: Paisley, Scotland (3) beat Ireland (1).

WALESE ENGLAND.  
At Wrexham, this match was drawn—2 goals all. Rose, the Welsh goalkeeper, broke the little finger of his left hand, but kept goal magnificently.

ENGLISH CUP.—2ND ROUND.  
At Birmingham, at the third meeting, Derby County (1) beat Wolverhampton Wanderers (0).

SCOTTISH CUP.—3RD ROUND.  
Celtic drew Dundee, at Glasgow (1—1), and Dundee (0—0).  
Glasgow Rangers beat St. Mirren at Paisley (1—0).  
Greenock Morton beat Leith Athletic, at Leith (3—1).  
3rd Lanark beat Kilmaronock, at Glasgow (3—0).

DEAN FOR THE SEMI-FINAL ROUND.  
Glasgow Rangers (holders) v. Greenock Morton.  
Celtic or Dundee v. 3rd Lanark.

To be played on March 5, on the grounds of the clubs first-named.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.  
Sheffield Wednesday (3), Small Heath (2), Manchester City (2), Liverpool (2).  
Aston Villa (6), Sheffield United (1).  
Sunderland (2), West Bromwich (1).  
Wolverhampton (3), Newcastle United (2).  
Everton (4), Notts County (0).  
Middlesbrough (1), Notts County (0).  
Bury (2), Derby County (2).

Sheffield Wednesday now lead with 37 points for 26 games; Manchester City have 33 for 24 and Aston Villa 33 for 26. Sheffield United 32 for 25, Sunderland 31 for 26, and Newcastle 31 for 27.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.  
At Edinburgh, Heart of Midlothian (5) beat Airdrieonians (0).  
At Edinburgh, Hibernians (2) drew Partick Thistle (2).  
At Glasgow, Queen's Park (0) drew St. Mirren (0).

RUGBY.  
Richmond (8 points), Leicester (0).  
Old Merchant Taylors (16), Rosslyn Park (3).  
London Scottish (10), London Irish (6).  
Cambridge University (10), Blackheath (3).  
Oxford University (28), Northern University (0).  
Devonport Albion (3), London Welsh (0).  
Newport (13), Bristol (0).  
Cardiff (7), Gloucester (3).  
Swansea (45), Llanelli (3).  
West of Scotland (0), Kelvinside Academicals (0).

IRELAND v. WALES (HOBBS).  
London, March 13.—It was a great game yesterday at Belfast, when Ireland beat Wales in the "Rugger" international. There was a big "gate," and great enthusiasm. The game was a splendidly and closely contested one from the start, and the issue was in doubt to the end. Ireland had an uphill battle, being at one stage six points behind. The tackling of both sides was admirable. Both teams crossed the line four times, but Ireland succeeded in converting one try, which gave them the victory by 14 points to 12.

ASSOCIATION GAMES.  
London, March 12.—In the Association football match between Scotland and Wales each team scored one goal.

England scored 3 goals against Ireland, who scored one in the Association match.

BUNOLAN, Bill.—Got any children? Slippery Sam (moderately) "I had a son once. I trained him up to be a snail." "What? You had a snail? He started for death."

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

## Bye-Elections.

London, March 17th.—Mr Charles Lyell, the Liberal candidate, has been elected for East Dorset by a majority of 820 votes over Mr C. Van Ransdale, the Conservative candidate. The polling was as follows:—  
Mr Lyell ... 5,920  
Mr Van Ransdale ... 5,108

## The Rosendale Seat.

March 18th.—The election at Rosendale for the seat left vacant by the retirement of Sir William Mathew (L.) has resulted in the return of Mr Lewis Harcourt, unopposed. [Mr Lewis Harcourt is a son of Sir Wm. Harcourt.]

## Dublin Bye-Election.

March 23.—Mr Waldron (Nationalist) has been elected for St. Stephen's Green by 3,407, the Unionist candidate, Mr Matheson polling 2821. The vacancy was caused by the death of Mr McCann. [The last Nationalist majority was 890 odd.]

## Strength of the Government.

Calcutta, March 14th.—The feeling amongst the Conservative benches is that the Government, barring accidents, will pull through this Session.

## Cotton Trade Depressed.

London, March 16th.—A mass meeting was held yesterday of the Lancashire cotton trade, when it was decided to continue short time until further notice.

## Steamship Subsidies for East Africa.

March 17th.—Mr Dalfour said the Government approved the principle of the recommendations of the Steamship Subsidies Committee in favour of subsidising direct communication with East Africa, and was appointing a Departmental Committee to consider details.

## Killing Prisoners Without Trial.

March 14th.—A sensation took place in the Italian Chamber to-day, the Foreign Minister stating that an investigation by the Consul at Zanzibar appeared to confirm the report that a Naval officer, recently appointed Consul-General at Aden, had a Somali beaten to death and thirty prisoners killed without trial while at Zanzibar waiting to be tried.

## Council Bills and Transfers.

March 11.—Mr St. John Brodribb has made a full statement regarding the use to which the sales of Council Bills and Transfers in 1903-4 were put, and adds that it is not intended to hamper trade by restricting the drawings in 1904-5 to a fixed amount, in consequence of the large remittances in 1903-4.

## Two Millions Deficit.

March 11.—The *Times* computes this year's deficit at two million sterling. The next year's expenditure at £142,376,067. The prospect for the taxpayer is not a cheerful one.

## French Cruiser Injured on Trial Trip.

London, March 2nd.—The French protected cruiser *Leon Gambetta*, 12,600 tons, started yesterday on a thirty-six hours trial. She grazed the rocks, and returned to Brest looking.

## The Plague in India.

Allahabad, March 17.—The plague at Allahabad has been very severe for some weeks past, is intensifying rapidly. On the 14th instant the daily figure of seizures rose for the first time to over a hundred and on the following day to 125. Ever since the outbreak the number of seizures and deaths has invariably tallied, the obvious inference being that no one troubles to report anything but fatalities.

Calcutta, March 17.—There was an increase of plague deaths in India last week, the total for the seven days rising to 33,517. The principal increases are in the Bombay Presidency, Bengal, the United Provinces and the Punjab.

## The Kaiser's Tour.

London, March 16.—The Kaiser William spent yesterday at Vise and exchanged visits with King Alfonso, who came specially to see the Emperor.

## The Division in Parliament.

March 16.—It is generally considered that yesterday's division is symptomatic of the perilous disorganisation of the Ministerialists who disregarded the earnest wish of Earl Percy.

## Naval Debate in Parliament.

March 3rd.—The tone of the naval debate in the House of Commons has greatly pleased the French. It is felt in Paris that every allusion to the Anglo-French entente cordiale afforded proof that that agreement was an important factor in Great Britain's policy. Sir Edward Grey, speaking in the House yesterday, hoped that no opportunity would be lost of utilising that friendly spirit to secure mutual agreement, and to stop the increase of fleets. Mr Balfour emphasised the fact that Great Britain stood alone in that, with her navy was essentially a defensive force.

## Lord and Lady Northcote.

London, March 6.—Lord Northcote, Governor-General of the Commonwealth, has been made a Knight and Lady Northcote a Lady of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

## Death of a Pioneer Tea Planter.

Calcutta, March 17th.—A cable received at Calcutta announces the death, at the age of 89 years, of Mr George Williamson, senior partner of Messrs Williamson, Yagor & Co. The deceased was one of the pioneers of the tea industry in Assam.







## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

**LONDON**—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Old Street, E.C. 1.  
**NEW YORK**—The Chinese Consulate, 100, Broadway, N.Y.  
**PARIS**—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Old Street, E.C. 1.  
**SAO PAULO**—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Old Street, E.C. 1.  
**SINGAPORE**—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Old Street, E.C. 1.  
**SYDNEY**—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Old Street, E.C. 1.  
**TOKYO**—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Old Street, E.C. 1.

## Notices to Consignees.

**IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.**  
**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.** BREMEN.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**THE Steamship PRINZ HEINRICH.**  
 OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
 Having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded, unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 p.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 6th April, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 11th of April or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.**  
**MELBOURNE & CO.,**  
 Agents.  
 Hongkong, March 30, 1904. 632

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.**

**THE Steamship MONMOUTHSHIRE.**  
 Captain, H. N. V. VAN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st March, at 2.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,**  
 General Agents.  
 Hongkong, March 28, 1904. 606

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**BARBER LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**THE STEAMSHIP SHIMURA.**  
 FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that the above Steamer arrived per Chem from Manila To-day; all Goods have been landed at their risk into Messrs Butterfield and Swire's Warehouse Godown whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd April, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 4th April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,**  
 Agents.  
 Hongkong, March 28, 1904. 609

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**FROM MIDDLESBORO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.**

**THE Company's Steamship Glenartney,** having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignee must be satisfied as to the condition of the Goods, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

## Notices to Consignees.

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND STRAITS.**

**THE Steamship Glenartney,** having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignee must be satisfied as to the condition of the Goods, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the Damage obtained from the Godown Co. within ten days after the Steamer's arrival, after which no Claims will be recognized.

**MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.**  
 Hongkong, March 29, 1904. 620

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER BENALDE.**

**FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.**

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignee will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—  
 From London, &c., ex s.s. *Chitra*, *Nubia* and *Macedonia*.

From Australia, ex s.s. *Aradica*, *From Calcutta*, ex s.s. *Nardina*, *From Persian Gulf*, ex s.s. *E.I.S.N.* and *E. & P.E.N. Co.'s steamers.*

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 p.m. To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 31st inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

**E. A. HEWITT,**  
 Superintendent.  
 Hongkong, March 25, 1904. 585

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.**

**THE Steamship Lightning,** having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 31st instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside if such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.**  
 Agents.  
 Hongkong, March 28, 1904. 615

**BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**STEAMSHIP BENALDE.**  
**FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND STRAITS.**

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 31st inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 4th April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,**  
 Agents.  
 Hongkong, March 25, 1904. 584

**MARTIN'S**  
**APIOL & STEEL**  
**FOR LADIES' FILES**

A French Specialty for all ladies' files, made of the best steel and finished by hand. They are the only files of the kind that will not break or bend, and are the only files that will not rust.

**MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.**  
 Hongkong, March 26, 1904. 600

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**FROM MIDDLESBORO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.**

**THE Company's Steamship Glenartney,** having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignee must be satisfied as to the condition of the Goods, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

## Banks.

**THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.**  
 ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000  
 CAPITAL PAID-UP ... " 12,000,000  
 CAPITAL UNCALLED ... " 6,000,000  
 RESERVE FUND ... " 9,320,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.  
 BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:  
 TOKYO, KOBE, NAGASAKI, LONDON, LYONS, NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, HOKKAI, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG, PEKING.

**LONDON BANKERS:**  
 The London Joint Stock Bank, Limited, The Union of London and Smiths Bank, Limited.

HONGKONG BRANCH—Interest allowed. On Current Account at the Rate of 2% per annum on the daily balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months, 5% per annum.  
 On fixed deposits for 6 months, 4% per annum.  
 On fixed deposits for 3 months, 3% per annum.

**TARO HODSUMI,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, March 11, 1904. 589

**THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.**

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £1,500,000  
 SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... " 1,125,000  
 PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 562,500  
 RESERVE FUND ... " 80,000

**LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.**  
 BANKERS:  
 INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—  
 For 12 Months ... 4%  
 " 6 Months ... 3%  
 " 3 Months ... 2%  
**EVAN ORMISTON,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, March 30, 1904. 534

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... \$10,000,000  
 RESERVE FUND ... " 10,000,000  
 Sterling Reserve, \$10,000,000  
 Silver Reserve, 5,000,000

**RESERVE LIABILITY OF**  
**PROPRIETORS** ... \$10,000,000

**COURT OF DIRECTORS:**  
 A. J. RAYMOND, Esq., Chairman.  
 H. E. THOMAS, Esq., Deputy Chairman.  
 Hon. C. W. DICKSON, Esq., N. A. SIEBE, Esq., E. GOSWAMI, Esq., H. W. SLADE, Esq., A. HANF, Esq., O. A. TOMES, Esq., H. SCHUBERT, Esq., E. S. WHEATLEY, Esq., E. SHILLING, Esq.

**CHIEF MANAGER:**  
 Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH, Esq., Manager.  
 Shanghai—H. M. BRYAN, Esq., Manager.  
**LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTRY BANKING CO., LTD.**

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.  
 On Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—  
 For 3 months 2% per cent. per annum.  
 " 6 " 3 " " "  
 " 12 " 4 " " "

**J. R. M. SMITH,**  
 Chief Manager.  
 Hongkong, February 24, 1904. 56

**HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.**

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,  
**J. R. M. SMITH,**  
 Chief Manager.  
 Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1517

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £1,000,000  
 PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.  
 Board of Directors:  
 CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq., J. FOCKE, Esq., GREASY EWENS, Esq., G. C. MOXON, Esq., Chief Manager.  
 GEO. W. F. PLATT, Esq.

Interest for 12 months fixed ... 5%  
 Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 117

**IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.**  
 ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Tls. 5,000,000  
 PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 2,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.  
 BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:  
 CANTON, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, PEKING.

THE BANK PURCHASES and receives for Collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Bills Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at 10 Branches Agencies.

**HONGKONG BRANCH.**  
 Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 3 Months ... 3%  
 " 6 Months ... 4%  
 " 12 Months ... 5%  
**E. W. BUTLER,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, August 15, 1903. 1570

## Banks.

**INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.**

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS:—  
 GOLD \$7,992,173.87—about £1,640,000.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS AUTHORIZED, GOLD \$10,000,000—£2,055,000.

HEAD OFFICE—1, WALL STREET, NEW YORK.  
 LONDON OFFICE—THREADEMERE HOUSE, E.C.

BRANCHES AT  
 San Francisco, Washington, Mexico, Manila, Shanghai, Singapore, Yokohama, Bombay, Calcutta and Agents all over the World.

LONDON AND CONTINENTAL BANKERS:  
 National Provincial Bank of England, Ltd. Union of London and Smiths Bank, Ltd. Credit Lyonnais, Dresdner Bank, Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, &c.

THE Corporation Transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account and issues Fixed Deposit Receipts payable in Gold or Silver at rates which may be ascertained on application.

**HONGKONG BRANCH:**  
 20, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.  
**CHARLES R. SCOTT,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, December 12, 1903. 161

**THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.**

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853. HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... £800,000  
 RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ... £800,000  
 RESERVE FUND ... £275,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4%  
 " 6 " 3 " "  
 " 3 " 2 " "  
**T. P. COCHRANE,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, May 19, 1903. 46

**DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.**

PAID-UP CAPITAL, Shanghai Tls. 5,000,000.

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.  
 Board of Directors: BERLIN, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, TIENTSIN, TRINGTAU (KIATSCHOU).

BRANCHES:  
 LONDON BANKERS: Messrs N. M. Rothschild & Sons. The Union of London and Smiths Bank, Limited.

Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agency Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft. Interest allowed on Current Account. Deposits received on terms which may be learnt on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

**H. FIEGE,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, September 1, 1903. 286

**THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.**

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER).

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 5,000,000.  
 CAPITAL PAID-UP ... Yen 2,500,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:  
 Amoy, Anping, Nagasaki, Fuchow, Keelung, Shanghai, Yokohama, Taiwan, Tamsui, Keelung, Keelung, Keelung.

**HONGKONG OFFICE:**  
 4, QUEEN'S ROAD.  
 Interest allowed on Current Account. Deposits received on terms which may be learnt on application.

**S. SHIGENAGA,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 218

**INSURANCES.**

**FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE CO.**  
 OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

STATEMENT TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903.  
 ASSETS, GOLD ... \$5,858,820.37  
 NET SURPLUS, GOLD ... \$2,156,118.80  
 INCOME, GOLD ... \$3,470,787.63

**FIRE BRANCH.**  
 THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Fire Risks at Current Rates.

**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.**  
 Hongkong, March 23, 1904. 583

**THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO AND LONDON.**

INCORPORATED A.D. 1851.

**MARINE BRANCH.**  
 THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risk at Current Rates.

## HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, March 31, 1904.  
 At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

**Butcher Meat.**

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mel Lung Pa ... lb 18  
 " Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk ... " 18  
 " Roast—Shiu ... " 18  
 " Breast—Nagu Lam ... " 14  
 " Soup—Tong Yuk ... " 14  
 " Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa ... " 18

" —Canton Ngau Lau Sirloin ... " 26  
 " Sausages—Ngau Ching ... " 16  
 " Tongue fresh—Ngau Li ... each 8  
 " " corned—Ham Ngau Li ... " 55  
 " Head—Ngau Tau ... " 65  
 " Heart—Ngau Sun ... " 1b 9  
 " Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin ... " 14  
 " Feet—Ngau Kerk ... each 8  
 " Kidneys—Ngau Yiu ... " 8  
 " Tail—Ngau Mei ... " 16  
 " Liver—Ngau Con ... " 1b 9  
 " Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To ... " 6  
 " Calves' Head and Feet—Nga-chai-tan-kak, set 75

Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kwat ... lb 25  
 " Leg—Yeung Pei ... " 24  
 " Shoulder—Yeung Shau ... " 22  
 " Pig's Chittings—Chi chong ... " 7  
 " Brains—Chi Know ... per set 2  
 " Feet—Chi Kerk ... " 12  
 " Fry—Chi Chak ... " 12  
 " Head—Chi Tau ... " 13  
 " Heart—Chi Sun ... each 9  
 " Kidneys—Chi Yiu ... " 6  
 " Liver—Chi Con ... " 1b 24  
 " Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kwat ... " 18  
 " Corned—Ham Chu Yuk ... " 18  
 " Leg—Chu Pei ... " 22  
 " Fat or Lard—Chu Yu ... " 18  
 " Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Kerk set 50  
 " Heart—Yeung Sun ... each 6  
 " Kidneys—Yeung Yiu ... " 10  
 " Liver—Yeung Con ... " 1b 22  
 " Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Hai ... " 16  
 " Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau ... " 17  
 " Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau ... " 22  
 " Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk ... " 18  
 " Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong ... " 15

**Poultry.**

Chickens—Kai Chai ... " 22  
 " Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai ... " 30  
 " Ducks—A ... " 19  
 " Doves—Pau Kau ... each 18  
 " Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan ... per dozen 18  
 " Fowls, Canton—Kai ... " 35  
 " Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai ... " 28  
 " Geese—Ngai ... " 22  
 " Geese, Wild Shai—Shai Yee Ngai, pair ... " 22  
 " Musk Deer—Wong Kong ... each 18  
 " Hare, Shanghai—Tu Chai ... " 18  
 " Partridges—Che Khoo ... pair 18  
 " Pheasant—Shan Kai ... pair 18  
 " Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup ... each 35  
 " " Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kup ... " 30  
 " Quail—Um-Chun ... each 25  
 " Rice Birds—Wo Pa Cheuk ... dozen 24  
 " Snipe—Sa Choy ... " 24  
 " Turkeys, Cocker—Phor Kai Kung ... " 65  
 " " Hen ... " 60  
 " Wild Ducks, Shai—Shanghai Sul pair ... " 75  
 " Teal—Sui Ap Chai ... " 75  
 " Wild Ducks, Canton—Song Shing Sul Ap, ea. \$1.25

**Fish.**

Barbel—Ka Yu ... " 14  
 " Bream—Bin Yu ... " 16  
 " Canton Fresh Water Fish—Ho Sin Yu ... " 14  
 " Carp—Li Yu ... " 16  
 " Catfish—Chik Yu ... " 11  
 " Codfish—Miu Yu ... " 14  
 " Crabs—Hal ... " 16  
 " Cuttle Fish—Mok Yu ... " 14  
 " Dace—Wong Mei Lun ... " 11  
 " Dog Fish—Tik Tu Sa ... " 8  
 " Eels, Congor. Hal Mann ... " 13  
 " " Fresh water—Tam Sin Yu ... " 14  
 " Eels, Yellow—Wong Sun ... " 24  
 " Frogs—Tien Kai ... " 82  
 " Garoupa—Sek Pan ... " 60  
 " Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu ... " 18  
 " Herrings—Tuo Pak ... " 18  
 " Halibut—Cheung Kwau Yu ... " 20  
 " Jabrus—Wong Fa Yu ... " 18  
 " Loach—Wu Yu ... " 11  
 " Lobsters—Lung Ha ... " 22  
 " Mackerel—Chi Yu ... " 24  
 " Monk Fish—Mong Yu ... " 24  
 " Mullet—Chai Yu ... " 20  
 " Oysters—Seng Hoo ... " 17  
 " Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu ... " 18  
 " Pouch—Tao Pao ... " 14  
 " Pike—Fu Pao Pong ... " 11  
 " Placod—Pan Yu ... " 18  
 " Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong ... " 28  
 " Pomfret, White, Pak Chong ... " 38  
 " Prawns—Ming Ha ... " 40  
 " Ray—Pai Pa Sa ... " 8  
 " Rock Fish—Sek Kai Kung ... " 16  
 " Roach—Chun Yu ... " 1

**Meat.**

Beef sirloin &



